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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Gregory S. HAMILTON et al.

Serial No.: 09/204,238

Filing Date: December 3, 1998

Examiner: E. Chang

Art Unit: 1625

For: **MULTIPLE HETEROATOM CONTAINING HETEROCYCLIC RING  
COMPOUNDS SUBSTITUTED WITH CARBOXYLIC ACIDS AND ISOSTERES  
THEREOF**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated July 27, 2000. The three month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire October 27, 2000. Accordingly, a Petition for Three-month Extension of Time is attached hereto extending the period for reply to January 27, 2001.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections, and allow all claims pending in this application.

Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-72 without any prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter expressed therein.